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Regarding the examiner's reasons for allowance, the examiner cites various claim limitations in his reasons. The claims are entitled to the broadest reasonable interpretation, including equivalents. Thus, the scope of the claims should include equivalents to the limitations explicitly mentioned by the examiner in his reasons for allowance. This interpretation of the claims, to include the broadest reasonable interpretation, should also apply for purposes of the doctrine of equivalents. If the examiner has not been giving the claim language the broadest reasonable interpretation (including equivalents), than the examiner should address this issue further.

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